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PARADES.
Wednesday, Oct. 18th.—Men of Nos. 3 and 4 Companies who are warned for duty on "Our Day," at Central, 5.30 p.m. in mutiny, with rifles under Sergeant Major Boyce.

Thursday, Oct. 19th.—Men warned for duty will parade at Cricket Ground at 2.30 p.m. sharp. Helmets and Rifles.

Saturday, Oct. 21st.—Defaulters Drill Central Station 4.30 p.m.

OUR DAY, OCT. 19TH.

Only men warned for duty will be allowed to appear in uniform on "Our Day." Other members attending the entertainments must do so in mutiny.

A single rose may be worn in the pugache on the left side of the helmet.

The Police Reserve Headquarters' Club will be open to ladies from 12 noon. Light refreshments 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Tea 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

PROMOTIONS.

The Hon. C.S.P. has approved the following promotions:

No. 3 Company.

Sergeant 50 Young Shuk Ping to be Crown Sergeant.

P.C. 69 Yuen Kwok Chak to be Sergeant.

No. 4 Company.

Sergeant 50 Chan Sui U to be Crown Sergeant.

P.O. 70 Yuen Kwok Yan to be Sergeant.

P.O. 26 A. S. Chan to be Sergeant.

(Sgd.) J. W. FRANTZ,

A.S.P. (R.).

CHALLENGING LIKELY MEN.

The following is from a London paper of September 4th:

Military and the police on Saturday at Leeds "held up" men, apparently of military age, who were waiting to enter the theatres, music-halls and picture houses. At Birmingham men entering the football grounds at St. Andrews were required to produce their exemption papers. At both places there was considerable excitement, and at Birmingham the spectators annoyed at the delay, threatened to break down the fence in the football ground.

BUILDING SHIPS FOR
FOREIGNERS.

Mr. Prestman, replying to Major Hunt, in the House of Commons recently, said the building of three vessels at present being constructed by British shipbuilders for foreign account was allowed on the express condition that no guarantee could be given that the vessels would be ultimately allowed to be delivered to the foreign owners. This matter was now being considered by the Board of Trade.

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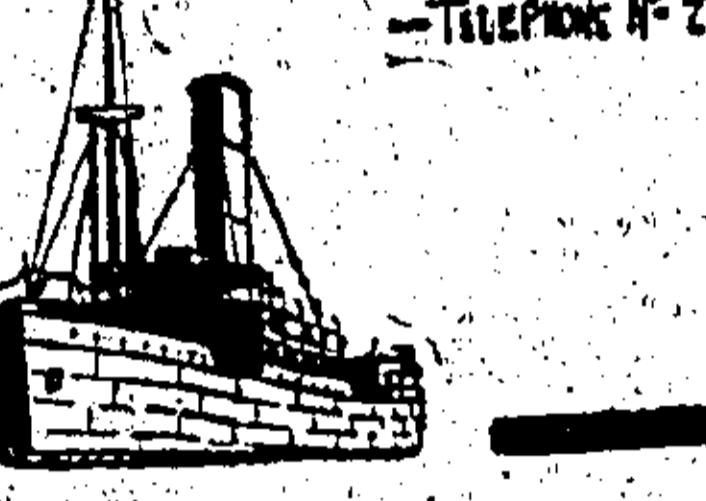
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Subscribed Capital £4,500,000

Paid-up Capital £2,437,500

II.—Fire Funds £,037,042

III.—Life & Annuity Funds £,167,530

Staking Fund Account £,123,230

£23,370,337

Revenue Fire Branch £2,351,456

Life and Annuity £,141,533

Branches £,141,533

Revenue Marine Department £,37,539

Other Receipts £73,840

£5,839,233

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Hongkong, Oct. 16, 1916. 1135

THE CHINA LIGHT AND POWER
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THE FIFTEENTH ORDINARY
ANNUAL MEETING of SHARE-
HOLDERS in the Company will be held
at the Office of the Company, St. George's
Building, No. 6, Connaught Road,
Victoria, on SATURDAY the 21st day
of October, 1916, at 11.30 A.M. for the
purposes of receiving a Statement of
Accounts and the Report of the General
Managers for the year ending 31st July,
1916, and electing a Consulting Com-
mittee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from 16th
to 31st of October, 1916, both days
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THE DIARY.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Entries close for Gymkhana on 28th.
11 a.m.—Auction of Saddlery at
"McGraw, Hughes and Hough's".
11 a.m.—Auction of Sundries at
"McGraw, Hughes and Hough's".

General Memoranda.

THURSDAY, Oct. 19.—
President Li Yuan Hung's 2nd birthday.
"Our Day." Sale of Roses; English Fair on Murray Parade Ground; and Evening Fete in Public Gardens.
FRIDAY, Oct. 20.—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Office and Household Furniture at "McGraw, Hughes and Hough's".
SATURDAY, Oct. 21.—
11.30 a.m.—China Light and Power Co.'s Meeting.
H.K.C.C. v. R.E. (Home).
TUESDAY, Oct. 22.—
9 a.m.—Excursion to Macao by a.s. "Taishan".
MONDAY, Oct. 23.—
10 a.m.—Criminal Sessions.
FRIDAY, Oct. 27.—
Hongkong Stock Exchange Settlement Day.
SATURDAY, Oct. 28.—
3.15 p.m.—Gymkhana Meeting at Happy Valley.
MONDAY, Oct. 30.—
Noon—Dairy Farm Co.'s Meeting.

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NOTICE.

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Correspondence must forward their names and addresses with any communication addressed to the Editor, not necessarily for publication, but as evidence of good faith.

All matter for publication should be written on one side of the paper only.

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VISITING CARDS

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and common sense. But in its official disguise the tale could be reckoned on creating a sensation among Chinese readers too ignorant of affairs to recognise the transparent fraud, and it ought to be the business of some agency in China to secure the publication of an authoritative reproduction in every paper in which the original fiction was published.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Members of the Hongkong Gymkhana Club who are owners of ponies are reminded that entries for the last meeting this season close to-morrow.

During the fortnight ending 17th October, no less than 4470 rats were caught in Hongkong and Kowloon. None were found to be infected and there have been no infected cases since August 19th.

We have asked by the "Our Day" Committee to state that by an oversight, it has not yet been announced that entrance tickets for the "Our Day" festivities can be obtained at the Anderson Music Co. as well as at Messrs. Moutrie's and Robinson's.

The General Post Office will be closed at 1 p.m. on "Our Day" 19th inst., except for the sale of stamps. The Money Order office will close at the same time. The Branch Post Offices will remain open with the exception of Kowloon B.P.O., Tsim Sha Tsui.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals beg to acknowledge with thanks the following donation to the funds of the Hospitals:

Rice Guild \$100
Anonymous 10

We are informed by Messrs Ewens and Needham, that now that probate has been obtained in the estate of Mr. Needham, who died at sea on the 4th inst., the office of the firm will be closed to-morrow for one day, as a mark of respect to the memory of Mr. Needham.

Japan papers record the death of Mrs Eliza Catherine Scidmore, mother of Mr George H. Scidmore, the United States Consul-General at Yokohama. The cause of death was heart trouble and collapse, the result of an accident about a month previous. On 6th Sept. Mrs Scidmore fell and broke her leg, and due to her advanced age she was not able to recover from this shock. Mrs Scidmore was 92 years old, the oldest foreign resident living in Japan. Japan had been Mrs Scidmore's home for the last thirty-six years. She came to Japan about the time that her son received his first consular appointment to Japan in 1885. The Yokohama foreign community has had no member more loved and respected than Mrs Scidmore, says the Japan Advertiser. She is survived by her son, the American Consul-General, and a daughter, Miss Eliza R. Scidmore, also of Yokohama.

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I propose to regard the word "crew" in this section as meaning "seamen." I also propose to adopt this meaning given to the word seaman under the Merchant Shipping Act 1894. In section 742 of the Act the word "seaman" is regarded as including every person (except masters, pilots and apprentices duly indentured and registered) employed or engaged in any capacity on board the ship." It was held by Lord Coleridge C.J. that this definition would undoubtedly include such a person as a stevedore.

The plaintiff described how she met the male defendant in a house at Shek Tong Sui and took away with her to his house a quantity of furniture.

She was forced to leave him owing to bad treatment and when she claimed the furniture he and his wife said it belonged to them.

Prisoner was discharged and subsequently arrested on a deportation warrant.

The Attorney General entered a nolle prosequi and asked for the prisoner to be discharged.

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THE WAR.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

OBSTINATE BATTLES ON RUSSIAN FRONT.

GREAT ENEMY FORCES ASSUME THE OFFENSIVE.

LONDON, Oct. 16. A Russian official announcement states:

In the region of Koromzoo and Kiolibba the enemy delivered fierce attacks without success. We took 1,187 prisoners.

South of Dornavatra great enemy forces have assumed the offensive.

In the region of Koryntza, twenty-four miles, W.S.W. of Lutsk, stubborn fighting continues. The enemy who counter-attacked here with hand grenades and charged with asphyxiating smoke, was repulsed with heavy losses.

Obstinate battles are also proceeding at Zborow, about midway between Tarnopol and Lemberg.

ITALIANS INCESSANTLY ATTACKING.

ZURIN, Oct. 16. Telegrams from the Austrian front state that 260,000 Italians have been incessantly attacking at Carso for seventy-two hours. A thousand guns have been firing violently and uninterruptedly for eleven days and nights. Storming columns advance in narrow and very deep formations and in continuous waves accompanied by machine-guns and even cannon.

THE BALKAN ZONE.

LONDON, Oct. 16. A British official report states: Our patrols penetrated to Balsuk, nine miles south-west of Demirliwar. The situation on the Doinan front is unchanged.

DEATH OF A NOTED RUMANIAN.

BUKHAREST, Oct. 16. The death is announced of M. Filipesco, a strong supporter of the Allies.

GERMAN SUBMARINE WARFARE IN THE ATLANTIC.

WHAT WASHINGTON THINKS.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 16. The officials believe that the German Submarine *U51* is now returning to Germany and that it is the intention of the German Admiralty to make sudden raids after which the submarines will return home to replenish.

THE PROVISIONAL GOVERNMENT IN CRETE.

FORMALLY RECOGNISED BY THE ENTENTE.

LONDON, Oct. 16. Reuter is officially informed that the Entente Powers have formally recognised the Provisional Government of Greece in Crete where alone the question of recognition has yet arisen.

RECRUITING IN AUSTRALIA.

MELBOURNE, Oct. 16. There have been registered in the Commonwealth in ten days 130,000 men, of whom 60,000 have been passed for service. Half the exemption claims have hitherto been allowed. All copper and lead miners have been exempted for three months.

A MASTER'S WEE WAIL.

Colombo has a poet who is constantly eulogizing the shikra. Here is one of his latest efforts in verse:

Although I know it would be right I cannot make no go and fight I'd rather make myself unfit Bring on an epileptic fit.

For marry I say mortal thing I can serve my country in any way thing Just think how honest it would be To get a bullet into me.

THE WESTERN FRONT.

IMPORTANT GERMAN ATTACK ON SCHWABEN REDOUTE REPULSED.

LONDON, Oct. 16.

General Sir Douglas Haig reports: Heavy hostile shelling continued during the night south of the Acre.

We drove back small bombing attacks without difficulty north of Courclette.

A more important attack delivered at Schwaben Redout, after heavy artillery preparation and assisted by leavenment, was also repulsed with heavy losses.

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MOVING ALONG THE BAPAUME ROAD.

VIOLENT FIGHTING.

PARIS, Oct. 16.

A communiqué states: We penetrated last night the village of Sainy Suilliel and occupied houses along the Bapaume road, as far as the central cross road. The enemy counter-attacked and very violent fighting continues.

We repulsed German attacks on St Eloi Wood, south-east of Belloyen-sans-Terre.

AN INCIDENT OF THE IRISH REBELLION.

CONDAMNATION BY A COMMITTEE OF INQUIRY.

Loypos, Oct. 16.

The Report of the Committee of Inquiry into the shooting of Mr. Skelton, a Dublin journalist, says that, apart from insanity, there is no excuse for the conduct of Captain Colthurst (who ordered the shooting).

The Report animadverts on Captain Colthurst's failure to realize the elementary principle that shooting unarmed and unresisting civilians under trial constitutes murder, whether martially proclaimed or not.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

RUMANIANS' POSITION NOT SERIOUS.

MILITARY OPINION.

LONDON, Oct. 16.

A telegram from Bucharest states that military authorities are of the opinion that if the Rumanians hold the crests of the Carpathians the situation will not need to be considered serious.

General von Falkenhayn, with whom, apparently, there are only three genuine German divisions, the remainder being Austro-Hungarian numbering at the maximum 200,000, appears to be endeavouring to cork up the other defiles, and the main forces through the Oituz Pass and attempt to capture the railway junction at Focani. The latest Rumanian communiqué says that all attacks have been bloodily repulsed at the Oituz Pass, which is 40 miles north-west of Brasov.

THE ENTENTE POWERS AND GREECE.

NEW DEVELOPMENTS.

ATHENS, Oct. 16.

Official circles are very busy again. M. Guilllemen had an hour and a half's interview with the Premier and Foreign Minister. The Premier was most reticent, but declared that the conversations were of the most friendly description, and that they laid the basis for further discussions.

The Premier then saw the King. It is believed that the discussions related to the control of the railways and Police.

It is stated that the Legations at the Entente capitals have been instructed to renew their proposals to emerge from neutrality.

M. Politis, Permanent Under Secretary at the Foreign Office, has proceeded to Salonika to assume a National Foreign Ministry. He proceeds from Salonika to Western Europe on a special mission.

It is stated that the pro-German Generals Diamantidis and Moxakis have arrived at Larissa "to inspect the barracks."

"I must say mortal thing I can serve my country in any way thing Just think how honest it would be To get a bullet into me."

"I never wails,"

CHAMBERS, London, Oct. 16.

The Medical Officer, although the hospital is in a poor condition, has decided to leave for France.

The most violent cases of pneumonia in the children of adults are seen.

In this condition the patients are

GOVERNMENT CIVIL HOSPITAL.

INTERESTING DISCLOSURES BY THE GOVERNOR.

THE APPOINTMENT OF A P.C.M.O.

KEEN JEALOUSY BECAUSE DR. BELL HAD NOT THE POST.

In view of the incidents that happened at the last meeting of the Council, the Hon. Mr. Pollock's additional questions at to-day's Council meeting evoked a considerable amount of interest.

The Hon. Mr. Pollock's questions were as under:

1. Of the sums of £9,908, £10,147, and £9,714 stated at the last meeting of Council to have been expended in the years 1913, 1914, and 1915 respectively, will the Government state

(i) how much of that expenditure

(a) supplied from home;

(b) purchased locally?

(ii) whether it is not the fact that the price of drugs and disinfectants has gone up considerably since the beginning of the war, with the result that the same sum of money purchased considerably less drugs and disinfectants since the war than it was before the war?

(iii) whether any savings were effected on the amounts voted for drugs and disinfectants in the years 1914 and 1915 or either of them, and, if so, what were the amounts of such savings?

2. With reference to the morning allocation of Sisters at the Civil Hospital which was announced by His Excellency the Governor at the Council Meeting of the 3rd August last, namely:

A Block.

Operating Theatre, 1 Sister;

Morning, 1 Sister on each floor;

will the Government state:

(i) on what dates between the 22nd August and the date of these Questions (12th October) it has been found possible to carry out the said intended morning scheme of allocation, namely, 1 Sister on each floor of A Block, and a separate Sister for the Operating Theatre; and

(ii) on what dates between the said dates, one Sister alone has had to attend in the morning not only to the two floors in A Block but also to the Operating Theatre as well that is to say, to do work which under the above scheme of allocation, is supposed to be done by three Sisters.

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His EXCELLENCE replied:

I promised at the last meeting of the Council to give a more detailed reply to the third of the questions which were put at that meeting by the Hon. Member nominated by the Justices of the Peace. That question was worded as follows:

Was not the stock of drugs and disinfectants kept in store at the Government Civil Hospital considerably reduced by the present Principal Civil Medical Officer before the war?

Z. It is necessary, as a preliminary step, to examine the conditions pertaining at the Civil Hospital, prior to Dr. Johnson's appointment, in the matter of the control and issue of drugs and disinfectants.

3. The keys of the store, nominally in charge of the Apothecary, were kept openly on a hook in the dispensary.

From 1 p.m. daily until the following morning the dispensary was left in the sole charge of three Chinese dispensers.

Two of these slept in the hospital premises, and all three had free access to the drug and disinfectant store.

4. Dr. Johnson arrived in the Colony on the 15th January, 1913, and on the 28th January he brought it to the notice of the Government that 40 gallons of spirits of wine, ordered by Dr. Bell, the Acting Principal Civil Medical Officer, on the 15th December and duly ordered by the Apothecary in the stock-book as taken into store, had never in fact been received at all. Not long afterwards he reported that an examination of certain cases of brandy in the store showed that various bottles had been emptied of their contents and had been filled with water, being re-corked in some instances with marks identical with those used in the dispensary.

It is believed that the officials

were personally interested in the

stock of brandy.

5. Dr. Johnson paid particular attention to the issue of brandy in the Civil Hospital, the number of bottles supplied being in 1910, 408, and in 1912, 1913, 1914, 1915, 812, 204, 102, and 127 respectively. Dr. Johnson reports that he is quite satisfied that no patient has been in stock unused for some time, and he asked the doctors connected with the hospital whether they could prescribe the articles in question, in order to prevent waste. As far as the Apothecary remem bers, none were used.

I may quote also an extract from "Rules for Economy in Prescribing" which appeared last year in an article in the British Medical Journal.

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8. Dr. Johnson also terminated a practice under which hypodermic solutions were prepared in bottles containing a large number of doses, the syringe being filled from the bottle. The practice was wasteful because solutions became stale and were thrown away. The present practice is to supply tablets and ampoules containing fresh single doses. He similarly prevented waste in the matter of chlorform by supplying as far as possible 4 oz. bottles to the Operating Theatre in place of 1 lb. bottles; surplus chlorform in the latter bottles having frequently been discarded on the plea that it had deteriorated.

9. The sudden upsetting of old customs,

the drastic changes insisted upon by the new-comer, who had unwittingly excited

unconscious jealousy among certain persons then in the Colony, because he had accepted an appointment offered to him by the Secretary of State for the Colonies, which many had hoped would go to Dr. Johnson, raised a storm of disapproval and of indignation at the Civil Hospital, and among the various charges published on the house-plate against Dr. Johnson was the one now again brought forward, that he was improperly cutting down the hospital budget.

He was immediately sent to the

Government Civil Hospital, and

was compelled to resign.

10. It was alleged in the first place

that in ordering from the Crown Agents

the drugs and disinfectants required for

the hospital administration upon an indent

prior to 1913 the Principal Civil

Medical Officer, although the hospital

had been opened in 1912, had

not issued the necessary documents

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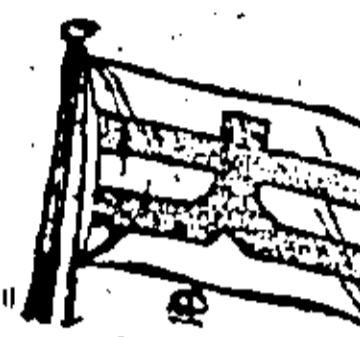
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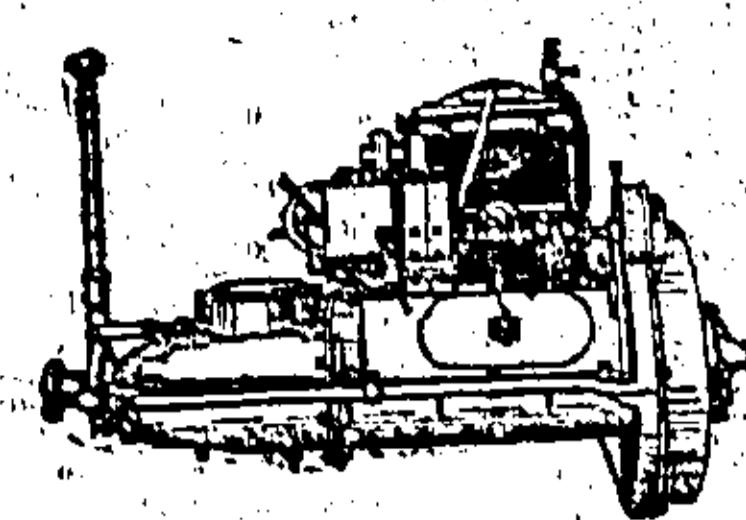
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ARRIVALS

October 16.
Chiloe, Norwegian steamer, 1,162 t.
Matthiessen, Bankok Oct. 7, via Hoichow
12. Rice—Thurston & Co.

Trigonia, Dutch str., 1,045 t. F. J. Vygo-
boom, Foochow October 14. Bulk Oil—
ASIAN Petroleum Co.

October 17.
Kiau-chung, British str., 1,282, Peacock,
Newchwang, Dulay, Chefoo and Wei-
hai-wei Oct. 9. General BUTTERFIELD
& SWINE.

Tamia, British steamer, 1,356, G. H.
Perrineller, Iloilo October 12, Sugar-
BUTTERFIELD & SWINE.

Johio Maru, Japanese steamer, 802,
Narushima, Swatow Oct. 13, General—
O. S. K.

Loonyang, British steamer, 1,085 t.
E. Mathews, Manila Oct. 14. General—
JAEDIN MATHEWS & CO., Ltd.

Luchow, British str., from Canton.
Huichow, British str., from Canton.

DEPARTURES

October 18.
Trigonia, for Canton.
Shantung, for Canton.

October 17.
Tjilinciong, for Kobe.

Sunghai, for Hoichow and Haiphong.
Ixion, for Japan and Vancouver.

Haiyan, for Swatow and Foochow.

Demodocus, for Singapore and Liverpool.

CLEARED

Hanoi, for Fort Bayard and Haiphong.

Luchow, for Shanghai.

Choy Maru, for Haiphong.

Haidai, for Swatow and Bangkok.

Raworth.

Passenger ship.

SHIPPING REPORTS

The Japanese steamer Johio Maru from
Swatow reports: Weather fine
wind N.E., moderate breeze, sea moderate.

The British steamer Loongkong from
Manila reports: Strong N.E. gale.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS

Mails. The China Mail S. S. Co.'s ss. China
left San Francisco on October 10th
and may be expected to arrive in
Hongkong on or about November 1st.

The P. & O. Homeward Mail steamer
Kaigai, with the Hongkong Mail
of the 8th September last, arrived at
Marseille on Friday, the 13th inst.

The P. & O. Outward Mail steamer
Malwa, with the London Mails of
the 5th October last, arrived at Port
Said on Saturday, the 14th inst.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s ss. Sonali
which left Hongkong on the 16th
August last, arrived in London on
Friday evening, the 13th inst.

Other Vessels. The ss. Kuronaga is expected here from
New York on 20th October.

The ss. Glencoe is expected here from
London on 18th October.

The ss. Gregory, from Calcutta,
left Singapore on the 14th October,
and may be expected here on or
about the 28th October.

The Mitsui Russian Kaihatsu South
American Line steamer Asamone
Maru will be despatched from Hong-
kong by the Toyko-Kisen Kaihatsu, on
Wednesday, 18th inst. for Japan
San Francisco, Alaska and South
American ports.

Later Advice. The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s ss. Nossa left
Shanghai for this port on the 18th
October at 1 p.m. with the homeward
English Mail, and is due here on
the 18th October, a.m.

HONGKONG TIDES

The tide-table given below has been
compiled at the National Almanac Office
in London from the result of the analysis
of observations taken by means of an
automatic tide-recording machine in the
Water Police Station at Tam- Shui Tsui
during the years 1887-89.

The zero of the table corresponds with
the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty
Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet
3 inches below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the
mid-tide at the Victoria Naval Yard
add 3 feet 3 inches, and on the edge
at Lamont-Dock, Aberdeen, add 2
inches to the height given in the table.

October 18th to 24th 1916.

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